5.00 P.M.

certain paths of economic development where there will be growth, I think, we may end up in a course which can be self-defeating. Therefore, I propose these changes, while welcoming the overall framework of the Bill. And, I think, my friend on the Opposition will also not be unhappy because, ultimately, if we have to grow and go ahead there has to be a conscensus on the broad contours of the course that we have to take. Thank you, Sir.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS—*Contd.*

Status of implementation of the recommendations contained In The First Report of The Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA): Before I call the next speaker, as a special case, I request Shri Pranab Mukherjee to make a statement regarding the status of implementation of the recommendations contained the the First Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence. He can just lay it on the Table.

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): Sir, with your permission, I beg to lay on the Table of the House a statement in respect of implementation of the recommendations contained in the First Report of the Standing Committee on Defence.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA): Thank you, Now, Shri Vijay Darda.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

The Special Economic Zones Bills, 2005—*Contd.*

श्री विजय जे. दर्डा (**महाराष्ट्र**) : उपसभाध्यक्ष महोदय , सर्वप्रथम मैं माननीय मंत्री जी को इस बात की बधाई देता हूं कि जो इस बिल को सदन के पटल पर लाए हैं। सन् 2000 में जो बिल आया था , उसका इम्पीमेंटशन आज तक नहीं हो सका । यह एक दुख की बात हैं । इस बिल से हमारी